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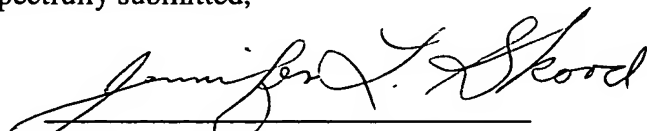
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The enclosed document is in French. The subject matter involves a resorbable suture filament that is fixed with enzymes that are susceptible to the conditions of the medium of a human body or an animal body.

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